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Thirty-sixth session
3-28 June 1996 (Part I)

Draft report

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I. ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

1. The Committee for Programme and Coordination held an organizational meeting (1st meeting) at United Nations Headquarters on 3 May 1996 and the first part of its thirty-sixth session at United Nations Headquarters from 3 June to 28 June 1996. It held ... meetings (2nd to meetings) and a number of informal consultations.

A. Agenda

2. The agenda for the thirty-sixth session, adopted by the Committee at its 1st meeting, is reproduced in annex I.

3. In adopting the agenda, the Committee, in accordance with the decision taken at its organizational meeting for 1996, decided to consider at its thirty-sixth session, the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Accountability, management improvement and oversight in the United Nations system (Parts one and two)" (A/50/503 and Add.1). The Committee also decided that the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Evaluation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s: Towards a more operational approach?" (A/50/885) as well as the comments of the Secretary-General and of the Administrative Committee on Coordination thereon (A/50/885/Add.1) should be considered in conjunction with agenda item 5 (b), entitled "Implementation of the System-wide Plan of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development".

4. In the absence of the report of the Secretary-General on the administrative, structural and other aspects of the improvement of the efficiency of the Organization, as mandated in General Assembly resolution

45/254 A or 21 December 1990, the Committee decided to defer to its thirty-seventh session the consideration of the question of review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations.

5. At its 2nd meeting, on 3 June 1996, the Committee decided not to consider the question of preparations for the Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Administrative Committee on Coordination, as the functions of the present joint meetings of the two Committees are henceforth assigned to the Economic and Social Council, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 50/227 of 24 May 1996.

B. Election of officers

6. At its 1st, 2nd and 3rd meetings, on 3 May and 3 and 4 June 1996, the Committee elected the following officers by acclamation:

Chairman: Mr. Jorge Osella (Argentina)

Vice Chairmen: Mr. Sam Hanson (Canada)
Mr. Désiré Nkounkou (Congo)
Mr. Shoji Ogawa (Japan)

Rapporteur: Mr. Volodymyr Yelchenko (Ukraine)

C. Attendance

7. The following States members of the Committee were represented:

Argentina
Bahamas
Belarus
Benin
Brazil
Cameroon
Canada
China
Comoros
Congo
Cuba
Egypt
France
Germany
Ghana
India
Indonesia
Iran (Islamic Republic of)
Japan
Mexico
Netherlands
Norway
Pakistan
Republic of Korea
Romania
Russian Federation
Senegal
Togo
Trinidad and Tobago
Ukraine
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
United States of America
Uruguay
Zaire

8. The following States Members of the United Nations were represented by observers:

Algeria	Malaysia
Armenia	Mongolia
Australia	Morocco
Austria	New Zealand
Belgium	Nicaragua
Bolivia	Panama
Bulgaria	Paraguay
Chile	Philippines
Colombia	Portugal
Costa Rica	South Africa
Ecuador	Sweden
Ireland	Thailand
Italy	Tunisia
Kazakstan	Turkey
Kenya	Uganda
Latvia	Zimbabwe

9. The following specialized agencies and regional commissions were represented:

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

Economic Commission for Africa

Economic Commission for Europe

Economic Commission for Latin American and the Caribbean

Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia.

10. The following non-member State was represented by an observer: Palestine.

11. Also present at the session were senior officials of the United Nations Secretariat. At the invitation of the Committee, Mr. Othman, Vice-Chairman of the Joint Inspection Unit, and Mr. F. Mezzalama, Inspector, participated in the work of the Committee.

D. Documentation

12. The list of documents before the Committee at its thirty-sixth session is set forth in annex II.

E. Adoption of the report of the Committee

13. At its .... and .... meetings, on 28 June 1996, the Committee adopted the draft report on the first part of its thirty-sixth session (E/AC.51/1996/L.5 and Add.1-35).

ANNEX I

Agenda for the thirty-sixth session of the Committee

1. Election of officers.

2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.

3. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations.

4. Programme questions:

   (a) Programme performance of the United Nations for the biennium 1994-1995;

   (b) Proposed medium-term plan for the period 1998-2001;

   (c) Outline of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999;

   (d) Evaluation.

5. Coordination questions:

   (a) Report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination and preparations for the Joint Meetings of the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Administrative Committee on Coordination;

   (b) Implementation of the System-wide Plan of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development;

   (c) Proposed system-wide medium-term plan for the advancement of women 1996-2001.

6. Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit.

7. Provisional agenda for the thirty-seventh session of the Committee.

8. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its thirty-sixth session.

ANNEX II

List of the documents before the Committee at part I of its thirty-sixth session

(3-28 June 1996)

E/AC.51/1996/1 and Add.1	Annotated provisional agenda
A/51/128 and Add.1	Report of the Secretary-General on programme performance of the United Nations for 1994-1995
A/51/6	Proposed medium-term plan for the period 1998-2001
	Perspective
	Programme 1: Political Affairs
	Programme 2: Peace-keeping operations
	Programme 3: Outer space affairs
	Programme 4: Legal affairs
	Programme 5: Policy coordination and sustainable development
	Programme 6: Africa: New Agenda for Development
	Programme 7: Economic and social information and policy analysis
	Programme 8: Development support and management services
	Programme 9: Trade and development
	Programme 10: Environment
	Programme 11: Human Settlements
	Programme 12: Crime prevention and criminal justice
	Programme 13: International drug control
	Programme 14: Economic and social development in Africa

	Programme 15: Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific
	Programme 16: Economic Development in Europe
	Programme 17: Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean
	Programme 18: Economic and social development in Western Asia
	Programme 19: Human rights
	Programme 20: Humanitarian assistance
	Programme 21: Protection and assistance to refugees
	Programme 22: Palestinian refugees
	Programme 23: Public Information
	Programme 24: Administrative services
	Programme 25: Internal oversight
A/51/88	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on strengthening the role of evaluation findings in programme design, delivery and policy directives
E/AC.51/1996/2	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the in-depth evaluation of the Department of Public Information
E/AC.51/1996/3	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the in-depth evaluation of the programme of peace-keeping operations: termination phase
E/AC.51/1996/4	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the triennial review of the implementation of the recommendations made by the Committee on Programme and Coordination at its thirty-second session on the evaluation of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
E/1996/18 and Add.1	Annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination for 1995

E/1996/4 and Corr.1	Report of the twenty-ninth series of joint meetings of the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Administrative Committee on Coordination
E/AC.51/1996/6 and Corr.1	Progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the System-wide Plan of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development
A/50/885 and Add.1	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Evaluation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s: Towards a more operational approach?" and comments of the Secretary-General and of the Administrative Committee on Coordination thereon
E/1996/16	Report of the Secretary-General on the proposed system-wide medium-term plan for the advancement of women, 1996-2001
E/AC.51/1996/5	Letter dated 22 April 1996 from the Chairperson of the Commission on the Status of Women to the Chairperson of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on the proposed system-wide medium-term plan for the advancement of women, 1996-2001
A/50/503 and Add.1 and Add.2	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Accountability, management improvement and oversight in the United Nations system (Parts one and two) and the comments of the Secretary-General thereon
E/AC.51/1996/L.6	Draft provisional agenda for the thirty-seventh session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination: note by the Secretariat
E/AC.51/1996/L.1 and Rev.1	Note by the Secretariat on the status of documentation
E/AC.51/1996/L.2 and Rev.1	Proposed programme of work
E/AC.51/1996/L.3	List of reports issued by the Joint Inspection Unit in 1995 and early 1996: note by the Secretariat
E/AC.51/1996/L.4	Current notional costs of documentation and meeting time: note by the Secretariat

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